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KAZUOMI OISHI

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please ~~cancel~~ Claims 3, 7 to 17 and 28 to 30, without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter.

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